

How to Pray for Zero

Over **1 billion** people don't have the full Bible in their language.

Millions don't have a single verse.

Together, we're praying these numbers down to **Zero**.

Start with This Prayer

Jesus, speed up and empower the Bible translation movement. Rescue the nations out of darkness with the light of Your Word.

Join the Day-By-Day Journey to Zero

Use this daily guide to pray strategically and effectively for Bible translation each day of the week.

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Saturday

PRAYER UPDATES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Our main translator, Pastor Bah Albert, was involved in a serious traffic accident a few weeks ago and fractured his left thigh. Praise God for sparing him a worse outcome. Please pray for his successful treatment and ability to continue his work.

— **The Gabri Maja OT team in Chad**

Join Mariela in praising God for His love and mercy. She holds a communications position with our main partner organization in a country where the work is sensitive. When she faced breast surgery earlier this year, God provided for the operation within 15 days. The surgery removed the malignant lump in time, leaving only healthy tissue and lymph nodes.

— **A Bible translation team in the Americas**

One of our two older translators, Pastor Cuma, became sick in January and was no longer able to come to the translation office. Still, he persevered in drafting Scripture from home and also took part in community testing. In May, he was hospitalized and subsequently released without hope of recovery. This respected leader, translator, and friend passed away a few weeks ago. Please pray for team members as they grieve, and that God will supply a younger person with computer knowledge to complete the team.

— **The Korb team in the Philippines**

Pray for people who have fled our homeland because of fighting. Pray that Exodus and Psalms will be successfully added to a Bible app.

— **A Bible translation team in Asia**

Eurasia

We may read devastating news headlines about the region of Eurasia (Europe and the Middle East), but faithful Bible translators are working behind the scenes to bring the light and peace of Christ. Translated Scripture is spreading not only within countries but also among diaspora and refugees. Security risks, geographically difficult-to-reach areas, and oppression (both religious and political) pose challenges to reaching Eurasia with God's Word.

Pray for Those Still Waiting for Bible Translation to Start

People	Languages
1,229,800	41

Source: ProgressBible™. SNAPSHOT. June 2025.

Numbers may shift as new needs are discovered or languages fall out of use.

Pseudonyms may be used for names and locations in areas hostile to Christians.

Sunday

REGIONAL UPDATE

Driway, Ikimeg New Testament Dedications Possible in September

In [January](#), we prayed that speakers of the Driway and Ikimeg languages would soon have printed copies of their heart language New Testaments. Those prayers are being answered, as the translations have been sent to the printer. Teams are reporting that New Testament dedication ceremonies could occur as early as September!

The completion of these New Testaments represents huge milestones for both communities, including the 579,000 people who speak Driway and the 200,000 who speak Ikimeg. Very few in these communities follow Jesus, as most identify with another world religion.

PRAY

- That there would be no delays in printing and publishing of these New Testaments, allowing for mid-September dedications.
- That these translations will help believers grow in their faith and give them courage and wisdom to share the gospel with their communities.

Monday

PRAY FOR A [FIRST SCRIPTURE](#) PROJECT

And then he told them, "Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone."

— Mark 16:15 (NLT)

Work Begins on a Translation for the Deaf

Deaf people who communicate using Twin Peak Sign Language live in a difficult place. The Deaf are often isolated from everyday interactions, even within their families. But these signers also live in a country where Christians face discrimination and persecution—without the benefit of any Scripture in their language.

Now, Seed Company, Door International, and SIL's Global Sign Language Translation affinity work are collaborating to translate God's Word for this community of more than 500,000 people.

This month, leaders are conducting a training event to equip new translators. Then team members will begin translating 40 stories from the Old and New Testaments, plus 3 songs from Psalms performed in sign language.

PRAY

To complete all logistical needs for the training event and setting up a recording studio.

Pray Now

The Wasika team in Eurasia are translating 7 books: Genesis, Ruth, Esther, Jonah, Luke, John and Acts. The team reports that “4 of our 5 translators are Muslim and at present show no interest in learning more about what it means to follow Jesus.” Please pray that their hearts will be softened and that they will soon want to learn more about Jesus’ love for them.

Tuesday

PRAY FOR PARTNERS

God will do this, for he is faithful to do what he says, and he has invited you into partnership with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

— 1 Corinthians 1:9 (NLT)

Eurasia Partner Needs Our Prayer

Operating a Bible translation organization in Eurasia is often fraught with challenges. One such partner, working with Seed Company's Growth Partners team, has turned their attention from sending missionaries overseas to sending them to translate languages in their home country. Government restrictions limit this partner greatly, giving them no official recognition to work among these languages. That creates suspicion from locals about who they are and why they are there. Economic restraints make it difficult to receive funds from "foreign" organizations, including Bible translation organizations. Some staff have had to flee the country due to regional conflicts.

PRAISE

Praise God for the faithfulness of our partner and their staff, who continue to serve joyfully under difficult conditions.

PRAY

For wisdom, courage, and peace for our partner's board and staff in navigating these many challenges.

Pray Now

Please pray for translator Rafael of the Irayai 3 team. He keeps being called in for “interviews” by the security forces, month after month. He is the only believer who speaks this small Muslim language and has not yet told his community.

Wednesday

PRAY FOR AN ACTIVE TRANSLATION PROJECT

Fear Threatens to Delay Translation Work

The Yeshua Al Noor team is striving to complete their work on Luke's Gospel by their project's due date: July 1, 2025. It hasn't been easy.

Life is increasingly challenging for members of this Roma community who are routinely looked down upon and labeled "gypsies." Political instability has produced fear throughout the nation. Opposition to translation work is frowned upon by Muslim authorities, further hindering the project's progress.

"We need your prayers for the Lord to protect us and eliminate all the fear in our hearts," the team wrote in April. "Pray the Lord strengthens our faith in Him, and leads us to safety by His grace."

PRAY

For courage for the Yeshua Al Noor team, along with wisdom and strength to complete their work by July 1.

Pray Now

Frequent cuts in power and internet disruptions make consultant checking and training for mother tongue translators extremely burdensome in one Eurasian country. Elsewhere, the economic situation has made life tremendously difficult for translators, some of whom also face uncertainty regarding their refugee status and could be deported. Please pray for courage, wisdom, and peace for translation teams, especially those serving 17 languages via 4 cluster projects in these countries.

Thursday

EQUIPPING THE SAINTS

Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ.

— Ephesians 4:12 (NLT)

Abraham's Remarkable Commitment

Amid a global shortage of consultants, there are even fewer consultants to check sign language translations. The need is great! So, it's wonderful to see individuals like Abraham Ray stepping up to fill the gap. He is a Deaf consultant in training who is eager to help train translators and potential new consultants. He's already been involved with several sign language projects and, in his zeal, paid out of his own pocket to start his training.

Abraham is now in the Seed Company pipeline to start receiving funding for his internship in October. His example is key for recruiting and training more Deaf consultants.

PRAY

- For the in-person sessions with the mentor consultant
- For clear communication with different Deaf teams (as sign languages vary from place to place), including a team from Thailand who are facing difficulties in their work processes.
- For strength and protection for Abraham's wife and community, especially during times that he is traveling.

Pray Now

The Geser translation team is asking for prayer: “Pray that we will find a new local translator. The person we were working with is currently unavailable... We currently have no one to do quality back translation for our translation consultant. We cannot find people to do community testing with. The place where native speakers of the language live is spiritually dark. The Buddhist people themselves are very hard to develop relationships with, due to fear of what others will think.”

Friday

IMPACT STORY

Rise up, O Lord, in all your power. With music and singing we celebrate your mighty acts.
— Psalm 21:13 (NLT)

Hindu Man Finds Peace

Though Islam is the majority religion where Mr. C lives, he was born into a Hindu family. He explains, “I followed Hindu beliefs and rituals with deep devotion, yet something was always missing. No matter how hard I searched, I couldn’t find peace.”

Mr. C continues, “Then, a group of Bible translators visited our community to comprehension test their translation. Jesus’ words of love and compassion touched my heart in a way I’d never experienced before. I started reading the Bible and discovered the truth of forgiveness, mercy, and redemption. I realized Jesus is not just a prophet or teacher—He is the Son of God, the Savior of the world. I surrendered my life to him and found the peace and joy that had eluded me for so long.”

PRAY

- That translated Scriptures will continue drawing many more people to Christ among Mr. C’s people group.